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# MODUS VIVENDI CONTINUED.

## Newfoundland Cabinet Has Assented to Its Renewal.

A St. John's, N. F., dispatch says that "the colonial cabinet has agreed to a renewal of the modus vivendi between Great Britain and the United States, regarding the herring fishery. The agreement will become operative October 1, and will insure harmony at the Bay of Islands between the American captains and the government."

"The entire fishery question, which agitated the Americans and Newfoundlanders for years will be settled by the Hague tribunal."

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# FEW FARES AT BOSTON.

## Only Trip of Groundfish Sold at \$4 Right Through.

Boston's fish story this morning is very brief indeed. There is just one fare of market fish in and only a shore boat at that, with 2000 pounds. Besides this is sch. Charles A. Dyer with some fresh porgies for bait. Yesterday noon sch. Mary T. Fallon came in from the Rips with a nice catch of small fresh mackerel and a few large ones mixed in.

Prices are good on ground fish, the small lot in selling at \$4 per hundred weight right through, but the figures on mackerel were disappointing, and it is safe to say that few mackerel, large ones at any rate, will be run fresh on the basis of yesterday's figures of 20 cents each.

The receipts in detail are as follows:

- Sch. Thistle, 1400 cod, 800 pollock.
- Sch. Charles A. Dyer, 190 bbls. porgies.
- Sch. Mary T. Fallon, 39,000 fresh small mackerel, 200 large fresh mackerel.
- Haddock and cod, \$4 per cwt.; large fresh mackerel, 20 cts. each; small fresh mackerel, 6 cts. each.

### BILLFISH WEIGHED 600 POUNDS.

#### Large Specimen Landed at Boston by Sch. Valentinnia.

Sch. Valentinnia, which arrived at Boston on Thursday, brought in one of the largest billfishes ever seen there. The fish is also known to the fishermen as a fin swordfish, and looks very much like swordfish to the uninitiated. The fish weighed, cleaned, 455 pounds, and with head and sword on before cleaning must have weighed very near to 600 pounds.

The fish was speared from the pulpit at the bowsprit, and George Upton was sent out in a dory after it, and had the time of his life for over an hour conquering the fish. Unlike the swordfish, the billfish does not sink as soon as it is struck, nor at the pull of the buoyline.

This fish was particularly active, and after some time Upton got the buoy into the dory and started to tire out the fish. The latter had the advantage of the fisherman, however, and hauled the dory about like a toy boat for over an hour, making occasional lunges at the dory, which Upton avoided only by quick use of the oars. He let the fish have its way until it seemed tired, and then crept upon it and plunged the lance into its spine.

The fish was put on exhibition in one of the stores on the wharf, where buyers, dealers and strangers found it a curiosity to view.

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### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Avalon and Clintonia cleared from Liverpool, N. S., Wednesday last. Both vessels are on mackerel seining trips.

Sch. Athlete was at Shelburne, N. S., Wednesday last.

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# NO LIFE IN LOCAL MARKET.

## Week Closes With Few Fish- ing Arrivals.

The week here is going out with light receipt, or at least with few arrivals with fish fares. This morning there are but few vessels in and there is nothing to create any life to the local market.

Sch. Mooween, from a halibuting trip, did not find what she went for, having but 2000 pounds of halibut, but her 20,000 pounds of salt cod, and 10,000 pounds of fresh fish will help out considerably.

Sch. Arbutus of the dory handline fleet, is home with a nice catch, 280,000 pounds of salt cod, and sch. Jessie Costa, one of the Provincetown fleet is here from the eastward, with 90,000 pounds of fresh fish.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are as follows:

### Today's Receipts.

- Sch. Mooween, Quero Bank, 2000 lbs. halibut, 20,000 lbs. salt cod, 10,000 lbs. fresh cod.
- Sch. Arbutus, Quero Bank, dory handlining, 280,000 lbs. salt cod.
- Sch. Jessie Costa, Western Bank, 90,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Emma F. Chase, Maine port, cured fish and salt clams.
- Sch. Titania, dory handlining, 23,000 lbs salt cod.

### Vessels Sailed.

- Sch. Cynthia, salt shacking.
- Sch. Edward A. Rich, Rips.
- Sch. Senator, halibuting.
- Sch. Boyd and Leeds, Rips.
- Sch. Ralph L. Hall, North Bay, seining.
- Sch. Mildred Robinson, salt shacking.
- Sch. Dauntless, seining.

### Today's Fish Market.

- Cape North salt cod, large, \$3; mediums, \$2.75.
- Cape North fresh cod, large, \$1.55; mediums, \$1.40.
- Outside sales fresh western cod, large, \$2; market, \$1.65; haddock, 65c. and 67 1-2c.
- Outside sales fresh eastern cod, large, \$1.70; mediums, \$1.50.
- Outside sales salt Rips cod, \$3.60 per cwt. for large and \$3.25 for mediums.
- Outside sales trawl bank salt cod, large, \$2.87 1-2; mediums, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.
- Salt dory handline codfish, large, \$3.25; mediums, \$3.
- Outside sales of round pollock, 60c. per cwt.
- Bank halibut, 9 cents per lb. for white and 7 cents per lb. for gray.
- Fresh large mackerel, 15 cts. each.
- Fresh medium mackerel, 16 cts. each.
- Salt shore mackerel, unrimmed \$18, per barrel.
- Salt bullseyes, \$7.87 1-2 per bbl.
- Board of Trade prices:
- Large drift Georges cod, \$3.60 per cwt.; medium cod, \$3.25.
- Large halibut cod, \$3 per cwt.; medium cod, \$2.75; snappers, \$1.75.
- Trawl salt Georges cod, large, \$3.50, medium, \$3.00.
- Dory handline salt cod, large, \$3.25, medium, \$3.00.
- Eastern drift salt cod, large, \$3.50, medium, \$3.15.
- Trawl bank cod, large, \$2.87 1-2 per cwt.; medium, \$2.62 1-2; snappers, \$1.50.
- Salt cusk, large, \$2.50 per cwt.; medium, \$2.00; snappers, \$1.
- Salt pollock, \$1 per cwt.; salt haddock, \$1; salt hake, \$1.
- Splitting price for fresh fish, Western cod, large, \$2 per cwt.; medium do., \$1.65; Eastern cod, large, \$1.70; medium cod, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.65 for large, \$1.20 for medium, and 50 cts. for snappers; haddock, 65 cts.; hake, 65 cts., pollock, 60 cts.

### Salt Bank Cod Sale.

The dory handline fare of salt bank cod of sch. Madonna sold to the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. at \$3 1-4 for large and \$3 for medium fish.

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### Large Salmon.

A spring salmon weighing 70 pounds was caught in the San Juan Fish Co.'s trap at Eagle Cove, Anacortes, Washington, last week. With one exception it is believed to be the largest ever caught in those waters. Some years ago a salmon weighing 73 pounds was caught in one of the traps on the banks.

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# LOCATED NEW FISHING BANK.

## Twenty-five Miles Off West Coast of Newfoundland.

The admiralty survey steamer Ellinor, which arrived at St. John's, N. F., Saturday, reported the discovery of a new fishing bank in the Gulf of the St. Lawrence river, off the west coast of Newfoundland, about 25 miles northwest of Point Riche. The crew of the steamer found an abundance of codfish on the bank.

This is interesting news here and some of the salt bankers which will soon sail on their second trips, will no doubt give the newly found ground a good try.

As American and Canadian fishermen frequent the vicinity of the new bank, it is likely to have an important bearing on the fishing industry.

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## DECIDED CHANGE IN THE MACKEREL SITUATION.

### Large Number of Small Fish Strike in All Along the Coast.

### Many Vessels Secure Fares of Good Size.

One of the most encouraging signs in the mackerel fishery for a long time is the appearance of small mackerel on the shore and in such quantities that a goodly number of vessels could work on them and seven of them secure fares of very large size, while many others also made catches. The first of last week things did certainly look blue in the mackerel line; the first of this week finds a decided change for the better in the situation.

At Boston this morning are five vessels with large fares of these fresh, small fish, while some of them have salt ones too. One small craft arrived there Saturday with a small lot of the same kind of fish.

At Provincetown is one of the big seiners with a fine fresh and salt fare, while at Newport, R. I., is still another of the big fellows, also with a dandy catch.

All the crafts bring word of a good body of fish and it seems almost certain that some salted trips of these desirables will be received before long. The fish are described as of good color and in good condition and of a count which will make them pleasing to the buyers.

### Mackerel at This Port.

- Sch. Lizzie M. Stanley, 70 barrels large salt mackerel.
- Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 12 barrels large salt mackerel.

### Mackerel at Boston.

- Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, 23,000 fresh small mackerel.
- Sch. Patrician, 35,000 fresh small mackerel.
- Sch. Mary E. Harty, 20,000 small fresh mackerel, 120 barrels small salt mackerel.
- Sch. Pinta, 35,000 fresh small mackerel and 50 barrels large salt mackerel.

- Sch. George Parker, 11,000 small fresh mackerel and 27 barrels salt bullseyes.
- Sch. Little Fanny, 3500 small fresh mackerel.

### Mackerel at Newport, R. I.

- Sch. Speculator, 40,000 fresh small mackerel.

### Mackerel at Provincetown.

- Sch. Oriole, 25,000 fresh small mackerel, 70 barrels salt small mackerel.

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